STAGE SET FOR BIG NAVAL BATTLE

GUESS WHERE MY FINGER'S



om "Photograms of the Year

Russian Pact Surprise To Italy

CIANO THINK

FIRST

KNIGHT OF

THE WAR

OMMODORE HARWOOD, leader of the attack on the Graf Spee by three British cruisers, has been rewarded with a title and promotion to the rank of rear-admiral.

MADE A REAR-ADMIRAL

TALY WAS MOST SURPRISED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE RUSSIAN-GERMAN AGREEMENT, DECLARED COUNT CIANO, ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, IN HIS SPEECH TO THE FASCIST CHAMBER TODAY.

"We could not think that a political agreement was possible view of the fundamental hostility of Germany towards ssian Communism," he said.

Reported On Way To

Special To "The People"

ONIGHT, OR TOMORROW, OFF THE RIVER PLATE, MAY TAKE PLACE THE DECISIVE NAVAL BATTLE OF THE WAR. SEVEN ALLIED WARSHIPS — TWO BATTLE-SHIPS, ONE BATTLE-CRUISER, ONE AIRCRAFT-CARRIER AND THREE CRUISERS—ARE PATROLLING THE ESTUARY OF THE PLATE WAITING FOR 9.30 TONIGHT, THE HOUR WHEN THE CORNERED GRAF SPEE MUST RUN THE

Nazi Warships

Help Graf Spee

On the way to the aid of the Graf Spee is her sister ship Admiral Scheer, with an escort of submarines. According to Rome Radio, the Admiral Scheer plans to help Graf Spee in a daring bid to escape from the trap into which British cruisers drove her on Wednesday night when she sought refuge in Montevideo harbour. (This report was unconfirmed last night in London.)

GAUNTLET OR BE INTERNED.

POSSIBLE DASH

With the 72-hours time limit given her by the Uruguay Gov-ernment expiring tonight, repairs to Graf Spee's battered hull and perstructure were feverishly shed forward throughout yes-

any tons of steel plates were

(CONTINUED ON BACK PAGE)

Wrote Log As Messerschmitts

WHILE SCORES OF MESSERSCHMITTS CAME WAVE AFTER WAVE TO TACKLE A FORMATION OF BRITISH BOMBERS NEAR HELIGOLAND, AND WHILE A GERMAN BATTLESHIP, A CRUISER, A U-BOAT AND SMALL CRAFT PEPPERED THE SKY WITH ANTI-AIRCRAFT SHELLS, THE LEADER OF THE R.A.F. FLIGHT CALMLY KEPT A LOG OF THE BATTLE.

Many tons of steel plates were used to shore up gaping holes close to the water-line; fuel and foodstuffs were taken on board. Uruguayan technicians considered that the time allowed her to stay in port was ample to make her seaworthy. Last night in Montevideo opinion was growing that the Graf Spee would dash out to meet her adversaries during the coming night. AIRCRAFT SHELLS, THE LEA CALMLY KEPT A LOG OF THE CALMLY

Amsterdam, Saturday.

ITLER'S military experts are working out plans to invade Sweden. The plans would only be put in operation to seize the iron-ore mines in

SWEDES' NEW ARMY CHIEF

GIRL HAD PHOTO

OF ISLAND'S FORT

CALMEST FLIER IN AIR BATTLE

Fell In Flames

In point of numbers it was the biggest air fight of the war. Five Messerschmitt fighters were brought down, and, despite the unequal odds, we lost only three machines.

The German naval and air forces were out to guard a crippled Nazi cruiser. It was the cruiser torpedoed by the British submarine which last week sighted the Bremen in the North:

TOMMY'S "PASSPORT TO BLIGHTY"

TODAY'S RADIO BIG CASH CROSSWORDS

Germany Prepares Big Spring Offensive

Allies Ready To Meet New Year Challenge

BY OUR MILITARY CORRESPONDENT

HERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT THE WAR WILL START THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT THE WAR WILL STANK IN REAL EARNEST EARLY IN THE NEW YEAR, AND THAT BRITAIN WILL BE CALLED ON TO FACE FURTHER RESTRICTIONS ON THE HOME FRONT.

The Government expects the civilian population to bear those restrictions in a spirit of determination; and, in turn, can assure the nation that whatever happens the fighting forces are ready to meet emergencies on land or sea, or in the air.

Allied Cabinets and High Com-

BERLIN'S NEW RADIO LIE

REUTER is officially informed in London that there is no truth in a German radio report that there is a force of French, British and Turkish troops concentrated on the Russian frontier for the purpose of attacking Russia.

50 Red Tanks Repulsed

TONIC

For trying times...try DR.ARMSTRONG'S TONIC

They NOURISH the NERVES



"Snatchers" Stole Police Decoy's Bag

For Parties

SEA BATTLE COAST REPORT

R. JOHN P. BROCK, a Kansas City business man, has just completed his 3,652nd daily aeroplane flight.

He began in November, 1929, to prove that everyday flying could be mad practical.

On the f'st anniversary of his idea he announced that he would abandon his routine, but he kept it on. Now he is going to take a holiday and fly only "when he feels like it."—B.U.P.

Blackout Aids **Pickpockets**

SCOTLAND YARD IS SEARCHING FOR GRAB-ANDRUN THIEVES AND PICKPOCKETS WHO ARE REAPING A RICH HARVEST IN THE BLACK-OUT.
But the Yard's special squads cannot be everywhere, and the
public must help.



CLOTHES NOW!

Whites snowy! Coloureds brilliant! And the clothes last longer

when washed this new way.

It saves money, time and work?

WASHING FINISHED
1½ HOURS EARLIER

MONEY SAVED



DR DOWN G DAY FOR THE PREMIER



Ran To Save British Ships

PLANE SENDS

WINTER TWILIGHT OVER THE NORTH SEA. SEVERAL MERCHANT VESSELS PLOUGHING THEIR WAY ALONG THE SHIPPING LANE. RIGHT AHEAD OF THEM, TWO MURDER MINES.....

51 LIVES

IN ONE MONTH

AN R.A.F. gunner saw this drama unfold as his plane was on coastal command patrol.

Over the ships the aircraft had flown, and then, a few minutes later, the front gunner noticed two black specks on the heaving

The pilot banked and dived to he water's edge to investigate.
"Mines!" he shouted to his

ALLANT skipper of the Humber lifeboat, Coxwain Robert Cross, has been awarded by the Royal National Lifeboat Institution a second bar to his silver medal, its thanks on vellum, and a letter of appreciation for making three rescues in a month, by which 51 lives were saved.

CHANGE COURSE

FOUR YEARS' JAIL

EDWARD LYNDOF LOOKS YEAR AHEAD

MAKE 1940 "PROSPERITY YEAR" APPY CHRISTMAS—AND A BRIGHT NEW YEAR! "

HAPPY CHRISTMAS—AND A BRIGHT NEW TEAR.

ALL SIDES THIS WEEK WE'LL HEAR AND REPEAT
THE DEAR, FAMILIAR WISH.

For some of us, the prospect of that bright New Year won't be so rosy. But today "The People offers a glorious opportunity to its readers to ensure that 1940 will be a "Prosperity Year"!

FOR LISTENING-IN

FROM B.U.P. CORRESPONDENT WITH B.E.F.

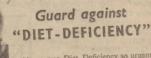
THE PRIME MINISTER'S TOUR OF BRITISH BATTLE POSITIONS TODAY OCCUPIED THE BETTER PART OF EIGHT HOURS.

It was snowing lightly in some parts, but the Premier's party, which included Lord Gort and the Duke of Gloucester, had only to contend with a freezing temperature and biting winds in the two sectors which they visited.

DINING AT G.H.O

£4-A-LETTER SPY

WAR-WINTER and children's health





STRENGTHEN AND PROTECT WITH

Britain At War Gives Herself A Christmas Treat

NATION'S POCKET-MONEY GOES UP BY £50.000,000

2 ARRESTS AT ARMY CAMP

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Havant, Saturday.

WO MEN WHO TOOK "A SHORT CUT HOME" NEAR A SOUTH COAST MILITARY CAMP ARE TO SPEND A WEEK IN CUSTODY PENDING FURTHER INQUIRIES.

aid that about 11.50 p.m. last night he was called to mp, where he found that Cooper and Jones were

His Sign of Distress

MAN: I was all right for a fortnight after I'd lost my job. Then the last of my money went and I stopped hiding my trousers at night.

AND THE SAME TO YOU!



It's A Love Secret

YOUR "HUBBY"

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

TOOK UPON YOURSELF AS AN ACTRESS, AND PLAY UP

TO YOUR HUSBAND! "
This was some of the advice given by Gertrude Lawrence, London and New York stage star, to members of a New York women's club.

There would be more happy marriages, Miss Lawrence said, if more women regarded themselves as actresses,
Every woman who wished to be charming should study singing, diction and voice production, just as if she was proparing for the stage.

Women could hold their hubbands:

NEW VESUVIUS THREAT

A.F.S. PAY RISES

Naples, Saturday.

VESUVIUS, recently covered in 'snow, was again in eruption this morning.

The flow of boiling lava is more than 150 ft. broad, and it is feared that the crater may give way.

This would cause untold havoc. All preparations have been made for the evacuation of the inhabitants of the villages near the famous volcano.

—Exchange.

IRISH GET ENGLISH JOBS

Special to "The People"
THE Minister of Supply is being approached by Laneashire M.P.s. who object to the large numbers of Irishmen who are being employed on Government contracts in Warrington and neighbourhood.

LONDON'S £6.000,000 CIVIL DEFENCE

Take Your Butter With You On Holiday

PEOPLE who intend spending the Christmas holiday with relatives or friends are officially advised to take their butter with them.

MORE WAGES.

ELECTION IN

WARTIME

SPECIAL TO "THE PEOPLE"

ONEY CIRCULATING IN BRITAIN TODAY—THE
MONEY IN MEN'S POCKETS AND WOMEN'S PURSES— IS \$50,000,000 MORE THAN IT WAS A YEAR AGO, THE NATION IS SPENDING FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Let Hitler heed the fact that we are not only saving more than ever before, but at this holiday festival we shall be spend

ing more lavishly.

And when the January 1 income tax demands come along we shall still have enough left to pay the higher taxes.

During the past week the Bank of England had to issue £11,000,000

On,000 more than was issued ing the corresponding preistmas week last year.

he £11,000,000 came on top of 500,000 extra notes put in circuon the previous week.

Note circulation has therefore sen by £16,500,000 during the ast fortnight.

now stands at the enormous ree of £545,000,000, and by istmas Eve it is expected to be 55,000,000, the highest figure for time.

NAVAL LEAVE **ALLOWANCES** REVISED

A LTERATIONS in leave and provision allowances were announced by the Admiralty yesterday.

As from the beginning of lasmonth, the provision allowance will be: Officers, 3s, 3d, a day; men 2s, 6d, a day; and shore wireless ser-

MARRIAGE ALLOWANCE PLAN

THE SOLDIERS' "DIVI"

PRINCESSES PREPARE

FOR CHRISTMAS

6d. Gifts For King & Queen

ON SEVERAL AFTERNOONS LAST WEEK LONG-DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALLS FROM "SOMEWHERE IN SCOTLAND " WERE PUT THROUGH TO THE KING AND QUEEN

AND QUEEN.
Their daughters, Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret, were ringing up to discuss the arrangements for their journey south this week and the Christmas holiday which they are to enough with their property of the control of the contr

are to spend with their father and mother.

It will be the first Royal "family

Sore throats—colds—high temperatures—weakness are the prevailing complaints this week. That 'ASPRO' will stop a cold in one night—that it will reduce feverishness in a few minutes—are facts proved by hundreds of thousands of 'ASPRO' users. It is not yet generally known, however, that two 'ASPRO' tablets in a little water make one of the most effective gargles yet discovered. Ordinary gargles, after use, leave the throat lining as it was.

When you GARGLE with 'ASPRO' the particles CLING TO THE THROAT and PREVENT INFECTION

The reason for this is revealed under a microscope which shows that 'ASPRO', when immersed in the water, breaks up into thousands of tiny particles too small for the eye to see. The particles, however, are antiseptic units which cling to the lining of the throat sufficiently long to exert their maximum antiseptic action. When one realises that a vast number of infectious complaints can be prevented by effective gargling the value of 'ASPRO' must be apparent.

Current ills (COLDS & FELL) and a hot lemma hot lemm

These people have proved 'Aspro' claims 'FLU AND SORE THROAT NURSE TALKS TO MOTHERS ABOUT 'ASPRO' YIELD TO 'ASPRO'

COLDS GO LIKE MAGIC

All leading Chemists & Stores Stock and Display 'ASPRO' ASPR0

'ASPRO' will banish-

COLDS & 'FLU smashed in one night by two 'ASPRO' tablets and a hot lemon drink.

HOW TO GIVE 'ASPRO' TO THE KIDDIES

are not increased





Ironside Is Like "The Rock"

The Grimmest Joke

Hitler A Witness

Maisky Fades In Nothingness

INDIGESTION SPOIL

YOUR CHRISTMAS



DADA PRESCRIPTION

NEW DISCOVERY ABOUT SLEEP SHOWS WHY SOME PEOPLE SUFFER FROM WAR-TIME STRAIN MORE THAN OTHERS

There are 3 Sleep Groups

WHICH DO YOU BELONG TO?





HORLICKS at bedtime gives you 1st Group Sleep



Of The War



guard you against TICKLING THROAT

LOST VOICE, WHEEZINESS HUSKINESS, CHESTINESS HOARSENESS

ZUBES!

COUPON

ambrose Wilson

Never give in to

RHEUMATISM

FOX

DRY SCALP

kills your

hair's vitality

-Naval Dramas of the Great War-

WITH the eyes of

Secret Scheme

the world on the latest glorious exploits of the British Navy, Lt.-Cmdr. E. Keble Chatterton, the famous naval historian,

begins in this page a remarkable new series of the War at Sea during the eventful years of 1914-18. In it he will tell of stirring dramas above and below the surface, of which even today little has yet been

heard. Most of the material for these narratives has been supplied to the writer by officers and men of the Fleet who actually took part in the engagements described, and below he tells of a simple ruse that fooled the enemy and sank a raider at the same time.

Smelt A Trap

Lieut.-Commander E. KEBLE CHATTERTON

Dazed Crew

Use this HAIR DRESSING that ends Dry Scalp



{rough, red, chapped hands gone forever}



IF THAT SOUNDS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE ... READ THESE AMAZING FACTS:

Fairy Soap is a housework soap made with olive oil! Every tim

NOW! FAIRY SOAP COMES TO YOU IN THIS NEW HANDY STREAMLINE SHAPE : SLICK QUICK EASY TO USE!



the housework soap that's made with olive oil





When your little one is already wretched with a cold, don't risk making him worse by upsetting his stomach. Your instinct tells you that there must be a way to avoid internal "dosing," and you are right! Like two million other mothers, you will bless the day you try "Vick."

Fust rub it on

Narrow Escape

Trouble Ahead

LIFE'S BIG PROBLEMS

FIND A SMILE FROM SOMEWHERE

> By the People's Friend

THERE MUST BE AN END! PEACE MUST COME! SO WHY NOT LOOK FORWARD TO IT!

JUST think how healthy, fresh and fit you'll feel if you 'slim while you sleep' with the aid of Bile Beans—and what a noticeable difference



PERSIL NOW

IT'S TRUE!

EVEN WHITER

WHITENESS!

AND BETTER FOR COLOURS

AND WOOLLIES

STILL WHITER WHITENESS-

EVEN BETTER!

HANGING UP THE

By MRS. EVERYWOMAN

My Household ABC

Sister Susie's Knitting
Party

What About the STUFFING? By "HOUSEWIFE"



ambrose Wilson

Which Is Your

of Face Powder

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1939



9 out of 10 women use the wrong shade of face powder

ACTS UP TO ITS NAME!

The Family Remedy for COUGHS, COLDS, ASTHMA BRONCHITIS, CATARRHAL ASTHMA SHORTNESS OF BREATH, CHRONIC COUGH

NIGHT COUGHING ATTACKS

COONS' CORNER Conducted by Eb' & Flo'

"THE PEOPLE" PAPER PATTERN SERVICE

No. 541 HOODED JACKET

RESULTS! Dazzling, superb! That is what the new, even better Persil offers you. The famous Persil whiteness now reaches new heights (14,000 women tried it in secret tests, proved this to be true). You'll have to admit Persil whiteness really is still whitenew. And that's not all. A new ease, a new speed, comes with the new Persil. Superabundant lather—quick rinsing without the nuisance of scum—glorious results without the trouble of mixing.

ANY WASH-ANY WAY

tever your washing method—boil, soak, or non-the new Persil, with its oxygen action, gives even results. Whether it's whites, coloureds, or softest lens the new Persil will give you the safest, most lying wash you've ever had. Do try it!

THE New PERSIL-BUT THE OLD PRICE 32 & 69

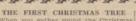






That extra lather makes new Persil the ideal washer for absolutely everything.







Gave Credit To Others

Almost Blind In One Eye

ENGLAND

The Skies

CAPT. EDWARD MANNOCK, V.C., WAS WITHOUT DOUBT THE MOST BRILLIANT PATROL LEADER AND INDIVIDUAL AIR FIGHTER OF THE GREAT WAR, IRRESPEC-TIVE OF NATIONALITY. HE WAS OFFICIALLY CREDITED WITH HAVING DESTROYED SEVENTY - THREE ENEMY MACHINES. ONLY THIRTY-THREE YEARS OF AGE AND ALMOST BLIND IN ONE EYE, HIS EXPLOITS WILL BE FOR EVER AS A TORCH TO THOSE WHO FOLLOW HIM TODAY.

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When solving the gift problem every Father Christmas should remember that

Good Port has

a brilliant colour

2 a delicate bouquet

3 a delicious flavour

and 4 a SANDEMAN label



Does Xmas Shopping MAKE YOUR

FEET ACHE? If So You Need





THREE-WAVEBAND SUPERHET

I. G. GRAVES Ltd. SHEFFIELD



Thrill Of The Chase

By PIERS

Where Fighting Was Hottest

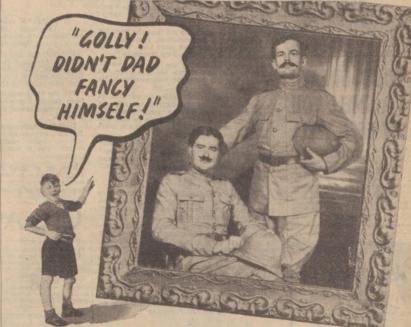
'Still going strong'





Now, as always, Johnnie Walker is a perfect blend of the finest whiskies Scotland produces. All their good points are combined in Johnnie Walker, to make a whisky even finer than any of those that compose it.

BORN 1820-STILL GOING STRONG







THE HEALTH HABIT THAT'S OVER

vas a burden

VG. WAR-TIME

OX 10 oz. Pink 1/6

asy Way to End

TARRH

UR BREATH

SMELL YOU

ULCERS

HEALED

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S speech was made on the eve of the Christmas, and now Parliament has adjourned full month's holiday.

M.P.s had their secret session; pre-

"Man o' the People" writes on Things That Matter

will be absorbed by the expanding supply industries

To You

And Me

A Man othe People

THE WORLD ON PARADE

Passports To

In neutral as well as in belliger-ent countries safeguards are adopted against sabotage in

No, Please!

"GOD GAVE US OUR FREE WILL"

Safe Arms

THOUGHT for Today

By The Lounger

PAPERS



CHRISTMAS STOCKING



SHUFFLED SYMPHONIES

IT'S TH Doctor "FOR

SU

ASHES TO BE MINO WITH Y



Drastic Clean-Up Of Contracts Is Ordered

ARMS PROFITS TO **CUT BY MILLIONS**



Doctor And Girl's Injuries

"FORCIBLY SUFFOCATED"

ORCIBLE SUFFOCATION WAS THE DOCTOR'S SUG-GESTION OF THE CAUSE OF DEATH IN A MOTOR CAR AT CULLERCOATS, NORTHUMBERLAND, OF TWENTY-

ONE-YEAR-OLD JEAN WATSON MOORE. ASHES TO BE MINGLED

WITH WIFE'S

What! No walkies to-night?" says Pip





BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

POUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

RASTIC MEASURES ARE BEING TAKEN BY CERTAIN

CABINET MINISTERS TO SECURE A CUT OF MILLIONS
OF POUNDS IN THE PROFITS THAT ARE BEING MADE
BY ARMAMENT AND MUNITION CONTRACTORS.
Chief among these Ministers are Sir Kingsley Wood, the Air
Minister, and Mr. Hore-Belisha, Secretary for War.

nder an order issued some time
Sir Kingsley Wood introduced a
form of contract for aircraft

SENT WIFE'S

GIFTS OF A QUEEN

POR the second time in a week Queen Mary paid a surprise Christmas shopping expedition to a West Country town yesterday.

RING TO AID RED CROSS

Parents Are Warned

NO MORE FREE **EVACUATIONS**

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

In view of the fact that more than two out of every five evacuees have now returned to our great cities from the country, the Government believes that the only thing it can do is to issue a warning that there will be no further official evacuations.

Then, if the big towns are airaided, people will have to get back to the safety zones as well as they among the villages to which have returned to their homes.

Some of the villages to which have the safety and which a safety are the safety as the safety and the safety are the safety as the safety and the safety are the safety as the safety as the safety are the safety as the sa

FROM OUR OWN
Gorleston, Saturday.

A LATE cup of tea for another man saved the life of Ernest Riley, of Suffolk -rd., Gorleston, who was allowed the same to ordering a cup of tea to be brought and the satisfant went out to shake dregs from the teapot into the river, the same than the satisfant went out to shake dregs from the teapot into the river, the same than the satisfant went out to shake dregs from the teapot into the river, the same than t

EVACUEES' PARTY LIST IS FULL UP

AMBITION



'Hitler Will Be Overthrown'

AMAZING WAR PROPHECIES OF WELSH PASTOR

TOMORROW WILL BE PUBLISHED A BOOK BY THE REV.
REES HOWELLS, DIRECTOR OF THE BIBLE COLLEGE
IN WALES, CONTAINING SOME EXTRAORDINARY PROPHECIES ABOUT HITLER AND THE NAZI REGIME.

DILEMMA OF MOTORISTS

The Housewife -

What are her War aims



The Nation's Protective and Nerve-restoring Food Beverage

The People's" Secret Service News

PRUSSIAN Guards and the RUSSIAN Guards and the finest picked Shock Troops have been put into those sectors of the Siegfried Line opposite which the Germans have learned that British troops are stationed.

TRAINS "LIT UP"

FOR HOLIDAYS

cycled into the harbour during the black-out last night. Mr. Ernest Rose, proprietor of a store on the Yarmouth side of the

Pennies saved

week after week

To make this perfectly



Delicious JAM ROLY-POLY

you must use Borwick's **Baking Powder**

To get the best results good cooks

BORWICK'S BAKING POWDER

PLAN WITH THE

PLANETS

Edward

Peace Moves Soon Now!

Lyndoe's Predictions

TMPORTANT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES ARISING OUT OF THE PRESENT SITUATION ARE ONE OF THE MOST HOPEFUL FEATURES OF THE NEW YEAR. YOU WILL REMEMBER THAT 1
TOLD YOU BEFORE THE WAR
BEGAN THAT SOMETHING OF THE



BRIEF BIRTHDAY **INDICATIONS**

TOMORROW

nelp. THURSDAY

WEEK

HOW WE ALL STAND THIS

MARCH 21 to APRIL 20
YOU begin your week with
an exceptionally helpful Monday. I urge you to
tackle current problems
then with all the energy
you can muster. The earlier
you come to decisions this
week the better.
APRIL 21 to MAY 20
You, too. begin your week with

"A new lease of life -

A FOOD RELIEVES

CONSTIPATION"

when I found that

TODAY'S RADIO

391.1 METRES (767kc/s) 449.1 METRES (668kc/s)

with new Hudson's CHECK FOR YOURSELF WITH THIS "PENNY TEST" Use new, rich-lath for every wa Soap extract

3 for 5/- 7 for 10/

10 - Bonus for 10 - only. This Amazing Offer is open for ren days only. So send Naw. LANCASHIRE PRODUCTS, Dept. P.). 19. Charing Cross Road, Landon, W.C. 2.

HANKETS to all purchasers of our Black-out Blinds PIGS MORE PROFIT THANKS TO KARSWOOD PIG POWDERS

KARSWOOD PIG POWDERS SOLID ZAM-BUK

CURES PILES



HUDSON'S FOR EVERY WASHING JOB!





HOUSEHOLD DUTIES BEYOND HER

MAN WHO COULD NO GET THROUGH HIS WORK

feed your Nerves with

EAT BETTER! SLEEP BETTER! FEEL BETTER!

Britain's Mechanical Might

WINNING THE WHEEL-WAR

BABY CARS

MODERN BATTLES ARE WON IN THE FACTORY AS WELL
AS THE FIELD, AND AFTER SEEING THE PREPARA-TION OF BRITAIN'S MECHANISED MIGHT FOR THIS NEW WAR ON WHEELS, I FEEL HEARTENED.

Police To Clear Up

Pains in Back **Gone in 3 Hours**

GUARANTEED TO PUT YOU RIGHT OR MONEY BACK

Cystex KIDNEYS



HIGH HAT!

Night-Club Town WOMEN PREY

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Maidenhead, Berks, Saturday,
THE HOME OFFICE HAS GIVEN ORDERS FOR MAIDENHEAD TO BE "CLEANED UP," AND, ALTHOUGH THE
POLICE ARE ADOPTING HUSH-HUSH TACTICS, A
SERIES OF LIGHTNING RAIDS ON SOME OF THE TOWN'S
NEW NIGHT CLUBS IS EXPECTED SOON.

BUTTER TRICK THAT MUST CEASE

From Our Own Correspond

JIMMY WILDE TO PAY £10 FOR CAR OFFENCE

DANES' COFFEE RATION

CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU!

WHAT SAY YOU?

You Will Agree That-

ADOLF SHOULD

THAT IS THE QUESTION.
UP IN HIS BERCHTESGADEN
FUNK-HOLE, ADOLF SITS WITH
CHIN IN HIS HANDS.

M

Medical Advice on How to Relax SLEEP must give mental relaxa-tion as well as a physical pause. Nature needs those hours of sleep

NO MORE NERVES

WHEN YOU

SLEEP SOUNDLY



Sleep like this and wake like this - on Bourn-vita





And give the boys a LUCKY break,



BLACK CAT

120 FOR 3/2 200 FOR 4/9 DUTY

Your tobacconist can arrange for immediate despatch



Twelve Ten-Second Teasers

S THE FRUIT IN ME THAT MAKES CHILDREN ENJOY

VAR'FARE'



Master Ckay

MILK OF

MASONS

CE THAT DOES YOU GOOD

& PAIN AFTER MEALS

CLOSING DATE FIRST POST SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

SLIP A 6d. BOX IN YOUR POCKET OR BAG



SUNSET

INVITATION



Romance In The Tropics,

aughter of Mystery

DECEPTION

Louise ERARD

COURTESY



this easy way



LIVER, KIDNEY & STOMACH TROUBLE

MUST BE WON

ABBREVIATED RULES

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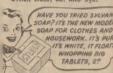
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this easy way



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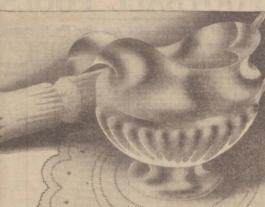
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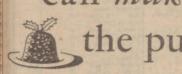
BEHIND THE REOPENING SOON OF THE FAMOUS OLD BEDFORD MUSIC-HALL, CAMDEN TOWN, LIES ONE OF THE MOST ROMANTIC POOR-BOY-MAKES-GOOD STORIES IN THE HISTORY OF THE THEATRE.

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His Dream Of Fifty Years



Shot His Friend Dead

N.C.O. IN TEARS

AFTER TELLING HOW HIS FRIEND WAS SHOT DEAD, A BATTERY SERGEANT-MAJOR BURST INTO TEARS AND COLLAPSED AT A CROYDON INQUEST YESTERDAY.

HE HAD TO BE ASSISTED FROM THE COURT.

Later, when a verdict of acciental death had been recorded, fr. Williams (representing relations). Wighth, his friend, was standing. He picked up the revolver.

GEORGE RAFT IS "TABBED" ANGEL

CEORGE RAFT, noted "villain" of the screen, is in real life regarded as the "softest touch in town." In any studio where Raft is playing there are always a few "extras" Raft has known and who want a helping hand.

the pudding DUCHESS VICTIMS: LIST OF NAMES

THE ADMIRALTY LAST NIGHT ISSUED THE NAMES OF I SIX OFFICERS AND 123 RATINGS MISSING, BELIEVED DROWNED, FROM H.M.S. DUCHESS, WHOSE LOSS WAS ANNOUNCED ON THURSDAY.

It is stated that the list is believed to be complete, and the next of kin of all the men have een informed.

Woman And Handbag

WHY SHE WAS SLAPPED

GAS SHELL YARN BY NAZIS IS SILLY

THE Nazi story that mustard gas was used by the British cruisers in their battle against the Admiral Graf Spee was described as ridiculous by Professor J. P. Kendall, Professor of Chemistry at Ediphyral University

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HERE THERE MOANY OLD WHERE Cecil Hadley

Calling All Cars-

THANK you for laughing. You don't know how it encourages me to go on. And on. And on.

SOMEWHERE in England two young men were charged with stealing a litter of junior pigs and their mother.

Youth takes a sow

Award on laughing. You Pebper only got a me peoper only got a me and boosting—lised in the boosti

♦ OF course, if you are not in the habit of listening to "Monday Night at Eight," one of the B.B.C.'s dullest entertainments, you won't see the joke of that last bit.

♦ AS Adolf said to Josef, QUIT STALIN.

A CHAPPIE rang me up t'other day, and after saying he was Lady Diliwater's secretary (no Cowes is complete without her), added: "Ask your Editor what he thinks of this one." The West Middlesex Gazette, Ealing

THE FOOTBALL POOL PROMOTERS ASSOCIATION

The Snigger In The Woodpile

A Mild

Sensation

EARLY IDEAS ON THE SPRING DOUBLE

By LARRY LYNX

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MIDLAND

MORE GOALS THAN CASH!





PIGEON WITH BLACK-OUT EYES!
THE OTHER DAY I TOLD YOU ABOUT PIGEONS IN TIN HELMETS—JOKINGLY, OF COURSE

NOVEL DARTS

IDEA

REGIONAL FOOTBALL RESULTS & TABLES

FRIENDLY MATCHES

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Foreman 3 MIDLAND

NORWICH (1) ... 5 TOTTENHAM (2) 2

SWANSEA (2) ... 4 CARDIFF (0) ... 0

HOW THEY STAND

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RREY COMBINATION

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O'Mahoney.

HOW THEY STAND
HOME ST Squires, Payne.

FORQUAY (1) ... 5 SWINDON (1) ... 1

GRIMSBY (1) ... 5 LEEDS (1) 5

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Ainsworth 2.
BLACKBURN (0) O EVERTON (2)

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6 S. SHIELDS 3) . 5 HARTLEP'LS (1) 1

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"THE PEOPLE'S" PONTOON TABLE

An American Letter

Tony Galento Goes All Garbo

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RUSSIANS FOUND FROZEN TO DEATH

Navy Bags 3 Nazi Ships

"CEASE FIRE" TO SAVE DOG

A BRITISH WARSHIP CEASED FIRE ON A GERMAN MERCHANT SHIP NEAR THE AFRICAN COAST, IT WAS REVEALED YESTERDAY, TO ENABLE A DOG ON BOARD TO BE RESCUED. LATER A MONKEY, SEEN CLINGING TO THE WRECKAGE, WAS ALSO SAVED.

The German ship was the Adolf onhardt (2,987 tons), which had pped out of Lobito harbour at gpt in an attempt to link with the Graf Spee or to get back to ermany. BRITISH WARSHIP CEASED FIRE ON A GERMAN

EVERYTHING'S dearer, you say.
But there's one food that's still

JUMPED TO HER DOOM



New York, Saturday.

DEFORE the gaze of hundreds
of home-going merrymakers in the night-club district here, Lola Laszlo, a
twenty - one - years - old Hungarian film actress, plunged to
her death from the tenth-floor
apartment of Baron Frederick
yon Oppenheim, a German
banker. The tragedy occurred
after a party celebrating the
Baron's departure for the Far
East.

GRAF SPEE

MANY TANKS

FROM WEBB MILLER,

BRITISH UNITED PRESS SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

With the Finnish Army, Saturday.

With the Finnish Army, Saturday.

WITH A SHARP DROP IN TEMPERATURE TO 40 DEGREES OF FROST, FINNISH ARMY PATROLS IN THE
NORTH TONIGHT FOUND MANY RUSSIAN SOLDIERS FROZEN TO DEATH BENEATH THE TREES WHERE
THEY HAD TAKEN SHELTER.

After a week of violent fielding.

GERMAN-FINNS TO FIGHT RUSSIA

GERMAN citizens of Helsinki who fought in the Finnish war of independence in 1918 are to take up arms again in defence of their adopted motherland.

The call to them was made yesterday by Fritz Hellnis, president of the German-Finn war veterans,—B.U.P.

Finns Debunk

Shortage Of

Materials

HOLD-UP IN U-BOAT

By Our Naval Correspondent HE Nazi's U-boat plan is

THE Nazi's U-boat plan is getting out of gear.
Before the war began Hitler's naval experts assured him that there would always be enough U-boats to make it impossible for Britain to receive sufficient food from abroad.
Two things have gone wrong with the plan.

he plan.

(1) The German shipbullding yards are short of skilled labour and material;

(2) Britain and France are sinking U-boats much faster than Admiral Raeder believed possible,

GRUMBLING

FRENCH HURL NAZI RAIDERS BACK

AST night's French war communiqué stated: "At 6.15 a.m. the enemy

STOP PRESS

Stalin's "Might"

Paris, Saturday.

Paris, Saturday.

Shown up the much proposed of the soil has

INDIGESTION GONE!





RENNIES 6

MOTHER! When your child

can't stop



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After a week of violent fighting, the Finnish army is more than holding its own against the Russians in every area except the extreme north.

The Russian attempt to cut Finland in two by a drive across the

which war supplies can be a Britain and the United hout their running the the Russian and German the Baltic.

BAULKED

shown up the much propagandised force of the Red Army at its true value, says this evening's issue of "Le Temps." CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE

AUDACITY CRIPPLED THE GRAF SPEE-HER CAPTAIN

If she tried to get across she ould remain in territorial waters or the entire voyage except for 17 niles, when she would be open to

Meanwhile, Captain Langs-orff last night told in a report to the Uruguay authorities his own ory of the battle with the three

UPSET HIS PLANS

Air Seats for the Battle, Senor?

Montevideo, Saturday.

MANY popular newspapers and daring civilians are talking tonight of booking "grand stand seats" for the impending naval battle by chartering aeroplanes to fly over and photograph the action—if it takes place.

German traders here are reported to be clamouring for the Graf Spee to fight "for the sake of German prestige."—Reuter.

foreseen by the British staff and frustrated. With inconceivable audacity, Captain Langsdorf says, the staff ap-parently ordered the Achilles and Ajax to close in.

This "incredible manœuvre" brought the two cruisers dashing through the smoke screen to within a mile of the Admiral Graf Spee, firing from both sides

The Ajax and the Achilles, Captain Langsdorff adds, with their speed and mobility, continued to harry the Admiral Graf Speed compelling him to increase his fronts, while the Exeter assisted them from time to time with a broadside from long range.

BROKE OFF ACTION

At this point the Captain decided to break off the action.
Later, off Lobos Island, the Achilles and the Ajax again closed in, and the Admiral Graf Spee was forced to slacker, weed and free

the sea, ready to pounce on the luckless Graf Spee. Britain's naval might is there in imposing array—the battle cruiser Renown (32,000 tons, mounting 15-inch guns), the Ark Royal (22,000-ton aircraft carrier), one battleship and three cruisers. In addition, there is the modern French battleship Dunkerque (26,500 tons, mounting 13-inch guns).

The commander of the Graf Spee has one of four courses open to him. They are:—

1. He might turn his ship right after reaching the mouth of the canal of the River Plate leading to Montevideo. This canal is five miles long, and the Graf Spee must keep within the buoys to evade running on the sandbanks. Then when the mouth of the canal is reached she might turn southward into an expanse of water 17 miles wide—a watery "no man's land," before-reaching the canal leading to Buenes Aires. communiqué stated: "At 6.15 a.m. the enemy launched a raid on one of our posts to the east of the Moselle. "It was carried out by a detachment the equivalent of a company after a preparation by artillery and trench mortars and under the protection of a box barrage laid down by artillery and heavy machine-gun fire. "The post attacked energetically

MAY MAKE A DASH

The British could attack

2. He might make a dash for the open sea to run the gaunt-let after reaching the mouth of the Montevideo Channel.

3. When he emerged from the channel he might follow the same course as when he entered, hugging the Uruguayan coast northward.

Achilles and the Ajax again closed in, and the Admiral Graf Spee was the raider would most likely the effort of reserving the action fer more favourable conditions, sibly taking on the British isers separately.

Today, waiting of the Plate This manœuvre was rapidly estuary are seven watchdogs of weather point of view.





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